

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Gerhard Brendel

For : WATER-VAPOR ASSISTED LACQUERING METHOD

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application as follows prior to entering the National Stage.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.